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# MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: POLICY 148 - Use of Cell Phone While Operating a Motor Vehicle

#### 1. References:

- a. Department of Defense (DoD) Instruction 6055.4, DoD Traffic Safety Program, 20 July 1999.
  - b. AR 385-55, Prevention of Motor Vehicle Accidents, 12 March 1987.
  - c. AR 190-5, Motor Vehicle Traffic Supervision, 8 July 1988.
- 2. Purpose: This memorandum prescribes the command policy concerning the prohibited use of cell phones while operating a motor vehicle. This policy applies to all military and civilian personnel who operate a motor vehicle on Fort Huachuca, Arizona.
- 3. Policy: The intent of this policy is to address unsafe practices concerning the use of all electronic devices, such as cellular telephones, Blackberry, and palm pilots while operating a motor vehicle
- 4. The use of non-hands-free cellular telephones or Blackberry devices while operating a motor vehicle on Fort Huachuca is prohibited. The use of a hands-free cellular telephone is authorized if the use does not impede the operator's ability to control the vehicle.
- a. A motor vehicle operator who holds a cellular telephone in the immediate proximity of their ear or eye while their vehicle is in motion is presumed to be engaged in a call.
- b. No person shall operate a cellular telephone to engage in a call of any type, hands free device or not, when approached or engaged by a law enforcement or security officer.
- c. The use of a non-hands free cellular telephone while driving is authorized for the sole purpose of communicating an emergency situation with an emergency response operator, such as the Fire Department of Military Police. Every attempt however will be made to pull over and stop your vehicle before making such a call.

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- d. The only authorized exceptions to this policy are law enforcement, fire and emergency response personnel in the performance of their official duties.
- 5. This policy is effective 1 November 2005. Violators of this policy will be cited on DA Form 1408 (Military Traffic Citation). In accordance with reference 1c above, points will be assessed and a copy will be forwarded to the chain of command for action.
- 6. Proponent for this policy is the Directorate of Emergency Services, 533-3232.

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